

Quota International MANILA ADOPTS BAHAY MAPAGMAHAL FOR QUOTA CARES MONTH

Our chosen beneficiary for our Quota Cares Month, is Bahay Mapagmahal, or Loving Home, a home for disabled children at the National Orthopedic Hospital compound in Quezon City which serves as a temporary abode for physically handicapped children and youth, an extension home project of the National Orthopedic Hospital (NOH) through the Philippines Society for Crippled Children, Inc. PSCC is a private, nonprofit organization composed of members whose main interest is to alleviate the plight of handicapped children and youth in our country. Bahay Mapagmahal houses handicapped children who have no opportunity to go to school having come from rural and depressed areas, aside from being victims of crippling disease like poliomyelitis and Pott's disease.

When QI Manila visited Bahay Mapagmahal in October 2005, we noticed the sad condition of their sleeping quarters with worn out bed sheets, mattresses and bedcovers, which needed replacement. It was at this point that the club decided to adopt Bahay Mapagmahal as our Quota Cares project.

What endeared us most about Bahay Mapagmahal, aside from providing shelter, food and education to the children, is their Rondalla on Wheels, a small orchestra of crippled children that serves as their added therapy and provides an outlet for their creativity and harnessing their musical talents. Through the Rondalla on Wheels, the disabled children learn not only discipline and the value of time, they were also able to bring out the best in themselves and share their God-given talents to society, in spite of their disabilities. **"It is not disability, but ability that counts"** is the motto that the Rondalla on Wheels, continue to live by.

And so in November, we launched the first of a series of fund raising for Bahay Mapagmahal. The Quota Care Bears coin banks were distributed to members to fill with coins till March. We asked our donors to come and join us during our Saturday visits to the children. Because of these visits we were able to get personal cash donations for Bahay Mapagmahal. In December 2005, a 2 day - garage sale was held at Cosmopolitan Church where old clothes, toys, books and other items donated by our members and friends were sold and the club earned P22,000.

In January, 2006 being the year of the Fire Dog, the bear coin banks were supplemented with gold dog coin banks, which were distributed to the different Quota clubs and friends. Solicitation letters were sent to friends and regular donors who were very supportive of the project. The culminating activity was a fundraising concert on March 17, where the children themselves were the featured performers. They played selected modern and classical musical pieces for Quota members, benefactors, friends and prospective quota members. During the concert, Quota International of Manila's image as a volunteer service organization was enhanced by creating an awareness among our guests of what we are doing.

Our fund raising activities grossed the club Php200,000.00 and has enabled us to buy new mattresses, linens, bed covers, side tables and musical instruments for the children.

The added benefit of this undertaking was the stronger bonding and fellowship created among the members as we worked together for a common objective. As a result of involving prospective members, we were able to recruit one friend of Quotarian Sundri Daswani, Dr. Purita Escobar, to join the club as a member in March 2006.

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QUOTA CARES PROJECT
Revenues & Expenses

QUOTA Bears		P	28,134.50
Rondalla Ticket sales			72,000.00
Donations			54,690.00
Garage sale			22,763.00
Sale of CDs			5,000.00
Donations in kind			16,000.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS		P	198,587.50
Less: Expenses			
Rent- CAP Auditorium	P	7,500.00	
Teddy bears		4,500.00	
Dog Coinbanks		3,885.00	
Ticket printing		3,500.00	
Scanning for PPT		1,612.00	
Streamer		800.00	
Printing of program		675.00	
Mailing expenses		1,331.75	
Food		8,630.00	
Cost of CDs sold		5,000.00	37,433.75
Net Income from fund raising		P	161,153.75

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February 1, 2006.

Dear _____

Kung Hei Fat Choi! 2006 is the Year of the Fire Dog, and the Chinese believes that how you act and feel on the first day of the year will affect your luck and how you feel for the rest of the year.

We, in Quota International of Manila, shares that belief, and so on Feb 1, which is the first day of the first full month in Chinese New Year, we decided to feel extra generous, by launching our fundraising program for "Quota Cares" in the form of Gold Dog Coin Banks given away to generous people like you, who finds joy in sharing like we do. The Gold Dog is our gift to you, what you put in it is your gift to our beneficiary, Bahay Mapagmahal, a home for disabled children at the National Orthopedic Hospital compound in Quezon City.

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One outstanding feature of Bahay Mapagmahal aside from providing shelter and food to the children is creating the Rondalla on Wheels, a small orchestra that serves as added therapy to the children, which harness their musical talents and provide an outlet for their creativity during their free time.

Through the Rondalla on Wheels, these young people learn not only discipline and the value of time, they also have been able to bring out the best in themselves and share their God-given talents to society, in spite of their disabilities.

Rondalla on Wheels continue to live by their motto : " It is not disability, but ability that counts".

We invite you to join Quota International of Manila, in a concert for their benefit at 6:00 pm Friday on March 17, 2006, at the CAP Auditorium, Makati City, and watch them play selected pieces from their previous concerts here and abroad. On this occasion too, don't forget to bring your filled up Gold Dog Coin Banks as your way of sharing to them. We will give back your Gold Dogs, but leave the coins behind.

Thank you for your generosity and we look forward to your company on March 17.

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